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FAMILY HISTORY CAN BE MURDER: THE 1867 DEATH OF ESTHER BAGGOTT
(Part One)

By Lois Kamoi

It's been said in genealogical circles that if one can't find ancestral royalty, a juicy criminal is always fun. The 1867 murder of Esther Davies Baggott has given our Baggott Clan plenty of squalor and violence to explore.[1] We came to know of this murder from an article, "The Moxley Murder," written by Bob Taylor in 1983.[2] It wasn't until two of us connected, and became fascinated with the characters that the richness and universality of it became apparent. Advances in technology such as *Google Maps*, *Ancestry*, the *Rootsweb* Black Country List, and *Free BMD* helped us expand the tale beyond the archived newspaper articles and tie up most of the loose ends.

The B.C. (Black Country)

In 1867-68 *The Chronicle* bi-weekly newspaper carried five stories about the murder and inquest.[3] It was a riveting, sordid tale in Moxley, Staffordshire, England, the heart of England's Black Country. Now part of England's West Midlands, the Black Country was so called because it was the center of coal mining and industrialization in the mid-nineteenth century. The air was black with smoke, the buildings covered in soot, the land dotted with mines. So much coal was present that it can be seen on the surface even today. Factories sprang up, their furnaces giving the area the slogan: "red by night, black by day." The Black Country was known for its poor, hardworking, often hard drinking, strong laborers. Also known as the "B.C.," the area has a distinct dialect, similar to the English used by Chaucer. Canals were built to carry the coal and products to markets, and the unique narrowboats were built to navigate those canals. Brightly decorated narrowboats are often painted with traditional themes of roses and castles. (Figure 1)

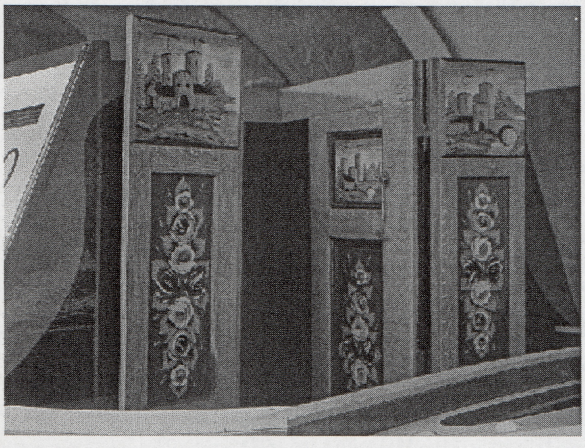

Figure 1 – Roses and castles often decorated the narrowboats navigating the canals of the Black Country, carrying coal and products to market. © David Dixon. Licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 2.0 Generic License.

Darlaston, Wednesbury, and Moxley are very, very old towns, in the heart of the Black Country, and have been home to the large Baggott family for centuries. Esther Baggott was a japanner, living in Moxley and painting narrowboat art.[4]

The Baggott Family

By 1867 Moses Baggott Sr. was about 69.[5] He and his wife, Margaret Aston, had nine children. Daughter Charlotte lived next door to her parents with her second husband, William Bowers.[6] They ran a pub, The Bridge Tavern, from their home, a common practice.

Mary Ann Davies, the widowed mother of Esther, lived on the other side of Charlotte.[7] The late Richard and Mary Ann Davies had two sons, but Esther was their only daughter.[8] Esther was 35, and had been married to Moses Jr. for 15 years. Moses and Esther had no children.[9] They had lived with Moses's parents for most of their marriage.

Esther's Marriage in Trouble

Esther's husband, Moses Baggott Jr., was known to have been violent with Esther on many occasions. Esther herself was said to be "irregular" and violent, but was clearly the repeated victim of both her husband and her father-in-law.

Moses Baggott Sr. had been plotting against Esther since the return of Elizabeth Mansfield Turner from America. Elizabeth had

been a sometime romantic interest of Moses Jr. during their high school years, but Elizabeth had married Stephen Turner when both were 18, and then moved with him to America for his job.[10] Recently widowed, Elizabeth was back, and living in a nice section of town known as King's Hill. Moses Sr. wanted his son to leave the barren and poor Esther for Elizabeth. Now known as "the American woman," Elizabeth likely had a settlement and was clearly better off than the Baggotts.

Moses and Esther separated about six months before her murder. Moses Baggott Sr. instigated the separation through manipulations he hid from his son, but just three weeks before her death, Moses and Esther had reconciled.

Esther Delivers Hubby's Dinner

The night of her murder, Esther had walked about a mile to the Monway Works, where her husband was a forgeman. She was bringing him his dinner because he was on the late shift and would not be off work until about 2 a.m. the following morning. She was met at the gates by John Farnell, her husband's 13-year old apprentice, and passed him the supper. Farnell testified that Esther mentioned two of her husband's friends had stopped by that evening and said they had been down to the river but didn't catch any bait, only two small pike. It seemed that Moses Jr. and his friends had planned to go fishing the next day.

Figure 2 – Esther Baggott was last seen alive at The Nelson, a pub on Portway Road in Wednesbury, England. Street View September 2014 © 2015 Google.

Esther's Trip Back Home

On the way home Esther stopped at a beerhouse on Portway Road, kept by Joseph Whitehouse.[11] She drank half a pint of ale with her friend, Martha Longmore, and they left the beerhouse together. Martha walked with Esther to The Nelson, (Figure 2) a pub on Portway Road, stopped briefly, and said goodnight. A little before 9 p.m. Esther was seen by another friend, Mary Buckley, as she walked along the turnpike road back to Moxley. Esther seemed very worried. Mary and Esther had been walking that road a few nights earlier and noticed some "roughs" in the field, which frightened Esther badly.[12] (Figure 3)

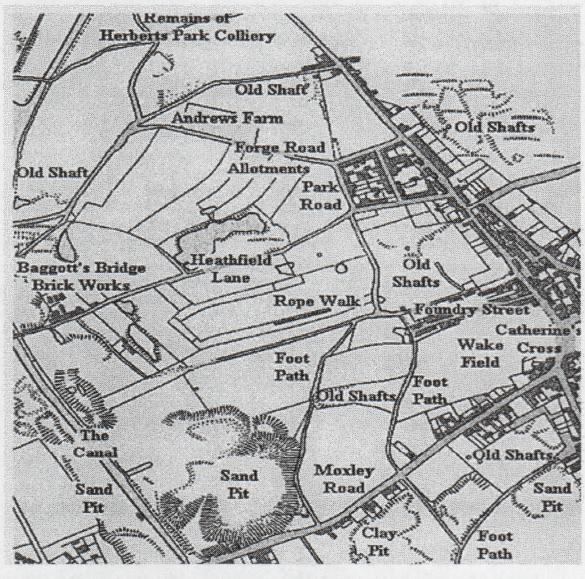

Figure 3 – Map of the area where the Baggott family lived and worked. The three rectangles under Baggott's Brick Works indicate the houses where various members of the Baggott and Davies families lived. Map is part of a series of ordnance surveys from the early 1900s.

Cries from the Field

At about 9 p.m. William Evans, a sinker from Cock Heath, was waiting to go down into a pit in Broadwater's Field when he heard screams, but dismissed them as some Pit Bank wenches (Figure 4) acting up.[13] These were probably Esther's last cries.

Figure 4 – Pit Bank wenches were poor women who searched around the mine pits for bits of dropped coal, which they would gather and sell. Photograph is from the Black Country web site, http://www.blackcountrybugle.co.uk/.

Discovery

Three young lads, brothers Sammy and John Church, and Tom Price, discovered the body of poor Esther Baggott in the field. It was a Saturday morning in late November of 1867. The very alarmed boys ran from the scene shouting for help. Before they reached the road they ran into Moses Baggott Sr. and told him of their find. Mr. Baggott was Esther's father-in-law and had come to search for her.

Body Taken to the George Inn

The body was removed to a nearby pub, The George Inn, run by James Whitehouse. Esther's mother Mary Ann Davies requested that Dr. W. H. Hancox be called to examine the body, and Police Superintendents McCree and Holland arrived to investigate. A very explicit and graphic description of her injuries was reported by Dr. Hancox and printed in *The Chronicle*.[14] Esther's murder was the talk of the Black Country.

Testimony

The inquest was held at The George, with Esther's body still in the back room. Esther's friends Martha Longmore and Mary Buckley testified to Esther's unhappy life. They said she feared her father-in-law and described him as a "nasty man." She also feared her husband, who had broken her nose a couple of months earlier at the Wednesbury Wake.[15]

Esther's Boyfriend

It came to light that Esther had not been faithful. She had a relationship with Edward Caudwell, a boat builder who lived alone in a tiny boatman's cabin, sometimes sleeping in the packet (fast boat) he was building. The cabin was on the "cut" (canal), near Baggott's Bridge. Moses had already left Esther to live with Elizabeth.

Esther's mother testified that Caudwell had come to her house during the previous month looking for Esther. When she told him Esther had moved back in with Moses Jr. and the in-laws, Caudwell became very angry, stabbing a table with his knife and saying he would murder Esther "if I doe see her soon." [16] Caudwell also called on Mary Davies the very day of the murder and said he needed to see Esther "in secret."

Caudwell's Alibi

Caudwell said that he left work that Friday evening with his friend Edward Jones and that they had stopped at the beer house of Mr. Bowers, old man Baggott's son-in-law. Esther had dropped in there just before 7 p.m. with a watch she had fetched from Bilston for the old man. She collected a jug of beer for her husband's supper and departed. Caudwell left to go home for a wash, then returned before 8 p.m., staying for several more hours. This was corroborated by a number of witnesses and a juror.

Physical Evidence

A pool of blood indicated that Esther was first attacked on the road, and then dragged into the field. She was still wearing the watch and chain, so robbery was not thought to be the motive. Dr. Hancox said she had not been molested.

The Suspects

Moses Baggott Jr., Moses Baggott Sr., and Edward Caudwell did not escape suspicion. Moses Jr. had several theories of the crime, including an assassination by someone who did not want Esther to testify in a murder case in

another town, or perhaps the religious troubles that had surfaced recently. Only Moses Sr. had an unreliable alibi—his wife; and even she said he was out until about 10 p.m. No one was arrested.

(To be continued)

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[1] England, death certificate, Esther Baggott, died 22 November 1867, citing vol. 6b:435, West Bromwich registration district, Wednesbury subdistrict, General Register Office, Southport.

[2] Taylor, Bob "The Moxley Murder," unknown publisher, courtesy of Alan Baggott of Canberra, NSW, Australia.

[3] The articles appeared in the *Wolverhampton Chronicle and Staffordshire Advertiser* (*Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, England*) from 27 November 1867 to 18 January 1868. The articles were copied by the late Shirley Cox in 2004 at the Sandwell Community History and Archives Service, Smethwick Library, High Street, Smethwick, B66 1AA, England. The articles are also available by subscription from the British Newspaper Archive (http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk) website. Individual articles are cited in the text.

[4] 1851 census of England, Staffordshire, Walsall, Darlaston, Moxley All Saints parish, ED 1a, folio 13, p. 18, household schedule 70, Heathfield Lane, Richard Davis household, digital image, *Ancestry.com* (http://www.ancestry.com: accessed 24 March 2015); citing PRO HO107/2022; Esther Davis, age 19, daughter, occupation "Japanner." Davis is the English equivalent of the Welsh name Davies.

[5] 1851 census of England, Staffordshire, Walsall, Darlaston, Moxley All Saints parish, ED 1a, folio 13, p.18, household schedule 68, Heathfield Lane, Moses Baggot[t] household; Moses Baggot, age 53 [1798], brick maker.

[6] 1861 census of England, Staffordshire, Walsall, Darlaston, Moxley All Saints parish, ED 1, folio 20, p. 37, household schedule 210, Heathfield Lane, William Bowers household, digital image, *Ancestry.com* (http://www.ancestry.com: accessed 24 March 2015); citing PRO RG 9/2009. Charlotte's first husband, James Johnson, died at Walsall in 1857; see "England & Wales, Free BMD Death Index, 1837 -1915," database, *Ancestry.com* (www.ancestry.com : accessed 20 February 2007), entry for James Johnson; citing Staffordshire County, Walsall, September [quarter] 1857, vol. 6b:320.

[7] 1861 census of England, Staffordshire, Walsall, Darlaston, Moxley All Saints parish, ED 1, folio 19, p. 36, household schedule 203, Heathfield Lane, Mary Ann Davis household.

[8] Previously cited, note 4.

[9] No testimony, no records thereof.

[10] "New York, Passenger Lists, 1820-1957," database and images, *Ancestry.com* (http://www.ancestry.com : accessed 15 February 2008), manifest, *S. S. Marmion of New York*, Liverpool to New York, arriving 15 August 1851, sht. 4, Elisa Turner; citing NARA microfilm M237, roll 103.

[11] "The Murder at Moxley: The Adjourned Inquest," *Chronicle*, 4 December 1867; Testimony of Margaret Baggott regarding the relationship of Moses and Elizabeth.

[12] "Inquest," *Chronicle*, 4 December 1867.

[13] "Sinkers" were men who sunk new mine shafts. "Pit bank wenches" were women who picked up and sold dropped coal around the banks of mine pits.

[14] "Shocking Murder," *Chronicle*, 27 November 1867.

[15] A week-long carnival or fair held annually in Wednesbury, England.

[16] Black Country lingo for "If I don't see her soon."

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REV. FRIEDRICH SCHMID'S BAPTISMAL RECORDS, 1847–1875, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
(Part Five)

Translated & transcribed by Rob Steward, 2015

(Continued from Vol. 39 No. 1, pgs. 13 - 16)

The original records of Rev. Friedrich Schmid are currently housed and may be accessed in The Michigan Historical Collections, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Please note that the handwriting of Rev. Schmid is not easily deciphered, in part due to his penmanship. The records contain entries written in old German script and some using English script. In addition, the pages in his records are not numbered. It is our understanding that he kept notes as he traveled and then entered them into his record books when he returned home. This may explain that while the records are fairly complete there are some gaps or omissions.

We have maintained the spelling Rev. Schmid used in the case of names and places. Items enclosed in parentheses are usually comments or notes of the translators or indicate alternate spellings. The term "geb." refers to "born as" or maiden name.

Rev. Schmid's Baptismal Records are in column format as follows:
(Left hand pages – a.) "Chronological Number" of the child for that particular year; Name of Child; Parents Names; Place; Birth Date.
(Right hand pages – b.) Baptismal Date and Place; Sponsors Names (sometimes marital status or relationship of the sponsors are listed).
Columns with no entry or missing information are indicated by three hyphens (---).

Year 1852

1a. Louise (Freÿ); Christian Freÿ; M. Freÿ; Scio; 24 Dec. 1852 (should be 51);
1b. 4 Jan. 1852; Peter Schairer; and his wife.

2a. Carl (Kalmbach); Gottl. Kalmbach; S. (should be M.) Kalmbach; Freedom; 1 Dec. (18)51;
2b. 10 Jan. (18)52; Math. Schaible; and Elis. Graus, single.

3a. Christ. Magdalene (Andres); J. G. Andres; M. Andres; Freedom; 30 Dec. (18)51;
3b. 18 Jan. (18)52; Peter Kern; and his wife; and wife of Co. Mann.

4a. Robert Gottlieb (Hochstädter); Gottlieb Hochstädter; Johanna Hochstädter; Ann Arbor; 7 Nov. (18)51;
4b. 23 Jan. (18)52; the parents.

5a. Franklin (Wolver); J. Wolver; S. Wolver; Waterloo; 25 Jan. (18)52;
5b. 25 Jan. (18)52; the parents.

6a. Anna Maria (Wagner); A. Wagner; M. Wagner; Ann Arbor; 20 Jan. (18)52;
6b. 1 Feb. (18)52; Hein. Kurz; and his wife; and widow Christina Lutz.

7a. Louise (Steiner); Fr. Steiner; M. Steiner; Scio; 20 Jan. (18)52;
7b. 7 Feb. (18)52; the parents.

8a. Gustav Adolf Friedrich (Strieter); Jak. Strieter; M. Strieter; Freedom; 26 Jan. (18)52;
8b. 7 Feb. (18)52; Gottlieb Layer; and Joh. Strieter; wife of Fr. Lucart; and A. M. Layer, single.

9a. Maria (Rauschenberger); Joh. Rauschenberger; M. Rauschenberger; Ann Arbor; 16 Jan. (18)52;
9b. 8 Feb. (18)52; Willhelm Binder; and Dor. Laubengaier, single.

10a. Elisa Francisca (Kärcher); Carl Kärcher; --- Kärcher; Lima; 31 Dec. (18)51;
10b. 14 Feb. (18)52; Francisca Osius, single.

11a. Johannes (Müller); Gottl. Müller; B. Müller; Freedom; 12 Feb. (18)52;
11b. 21 Feb. (18)52; Joh. Georg Laubengaier; and wife of Fr. Laubengaier; and widow Pfitzenmaier.
12a. Christina (Grettenberger); J. Grettenberger; --- Grettenberger; Freedom 20 Jan. (18)52;
12b. 21 Feb. (18)52; J. Hohenberger; and his wife.
13a. Joh. Willhelm (Knapp); J. Knapp; Fr. Knapp; Freedom; 23 Jan. (18)52;
13b. 21 Feb. (18)52; Phillip Bach; and his wife.
14a. Philipp Eduard (Bach); Ch. Bach; Chr. Bach; Bridgewater; 12 Feb. (18)52;
14b. 21 Feb. (18)52; Eduart Bach, single; and wife of Fr. Lucart.
15a. Willhelm Joseph (Stäbler); Fr. Stäbler; Cath. Stäbler; Scio 3 Feb. (18)52;
15b. 21 Feb. (18)52; Joh. Wagner; and Doro. Burkhardt, single.
16a. Joh. Christian (Koch); J. Koch; ---; Ann Arbor; 26 Nov. (18)52; (should be 51)
16b. 22 Feb. (18)52; Ja. Christ. Koch; and Ernstine Gerner, single.
17a. Joh. Heinrich (Hügelmaier); --- Hügelmaier; --- Hügelmaier; Waterloo; 3 Feb. (18)52;
17b. 23 Feb. (18)52; the parents.
18a. Joh. Heinrich (Ortmann); Joh. Heinrich Ortmann; A.M. Ortmann; Saline; 28 Feb. (18)52; (Note that birth date is later than baptism date.)
18b. 25 Feb. (18)52; the parents.
19a. Johannes (Schaible); Joh. Schaible; M. Schaible; Lodi; 16 Feb. (18)52;
19b. 28 Feb. (18)52; Joh. Georg Kärcher; and wife of Chr. Bonett.
20a. Maria Barbara (Werner); A. Werner; M. Werner; Bridgewater; 25 Feb. (18)52;
20b. 6 Mar. (18)52; Joh. Georg Fiegel; and wife of J. Mehrle.
21a. Joh. Georg (Wagner); C. Wagner; --- Wagner; Freedom; 3 Mar. (18)52;
21b. 6 Mar. (18)52; Joh. Georg Herter; and his wife.
22a. Rosina Barbara (Zahn); Fr. Zahn; Ros. Zahn; Lodi; 22 Feb. (18)52;
22b. 14 Mar. (18)52; Mich. Kärcher; and wife of Ul. Reinmold.
23a. Robert Herman August (Wiedmann); A. Wiedmann; Pl. Wiedmann; Ann Arbor; 24 Jan. (18)52;
23b. 14 Mar. (18)52; Herrman Böhringer; and Maria Gärtner.
24a. Gottlieb (Schröter); Adam Schröter; M. Schröter; Ann Arbor; 2 Mar. (18)52;
24b. 14 Mar. (18)52; Gottlieb Bross; and wife of Fr. Ziegler.
25a. Carolina Willhelme (Krause); H. Krause; Cath. Krause; Ann Arbor; 7 Feb. (18)52;
25b. 18 Mar. (18)52; Joh. G. Hirt; and his wife, grandparents.
26a. Willhelm (Braun); Martin Braun; Regina Braun; Ann Arbor; 29 Feb. (18)52;
26b. 21 Mar. (18)52; Joh. Braun; and Dorothea Kärcher, single.
27a. Blandina (Schettler); --- Schettler; --- Schettler; Freedom; 27 Mar. (18)52;
27b. 31 Mar. (18)52; J. Bollinger, single; and wife of Metz.
28a. Friedrich (Sipfle); Fr. Sipfle; C. Sipfle; Ann Arbor; 22 Mar. (18)52;
28b. 4 Apr. (18)52; J. Dreher; and his wife.
29a. Carolina (Bauer); J. Bauer; M. Bauer; Plymouth; 22 Sep. (18)51;
29b. 8 Apr. (18)52; the parents.
30a. Anna Maria (Früitzheim); Phil. Früitzheim; A. M. Früitzheim; Ann Arbor; 4 Mar. (18)52;
30b. 9 Apr. (18)52; the parents.
31a. Christina Catharina (Spatthelf); J. G. Spatthelf; M. Spatthelf; Freedom; 28 Mar. (18)52;
31b. 11 Apr. (18)52; Christian Kübler; and his wife.
32a. Joh. Gottlieb (Böss); J. Gottlieb Böss; Louise Böss; Freedom; 12 Apr. (18)52;
32b. 13 Apr. (18)52; Gruber; and his wife.
33a. Johannes (Niesle); Joh. G. Niesle; Cath. Niesle; Bridgewater; 31 Mar. (18)52;
33b. 13 Apr. (18)52; Joh. Reinfrank; and his wife.
34a. Joh. Georg (Däuble); Abr. Däuble; Chr. Däuble; Lodi 8 Mar. (18)52;
34b. 17 Apr. (18)52; Joh. Georg Däuble; and his wife, grandparents.

35a. Johannes (Schmid); Christ. Schmid; Maria Schmid; Ann Arbor; 7 Apr. (18)52;
35b. 25 Apr. (18)52; Joh. Martin Hirt; and wife of Grossman.
36a. Friedrich (Schairer); Peter Schairer; Ag. Schairer; Scio; 24 Apr. (18)52;
36b. 28 Apr. (18)52; Jakob Jedele; and wife of Joh. Jedele.
37a. Abraham (Burkhardt); Ab. Burkhardt; M. Burkhardt; Freedom; 13 Apr. (18)52;
37b. 8 May (18)52; J. Knapp; and wife of Fr. Stäbler.
38a. Christina Barbara (Stäbler); Fr. Stäbler; Cath. Stäbler; Lodi; 5 May (18)52;
38b. 15 May (18)52; Jakob Stäbler; and wife of Georg Zahn.
39a. Gottlieb Carl (Gross); J. G. Gross; ---; Lodi; 2 May (18)52;
39b. 15 May (18)52; J. Gross, single; and wife of Fr. Gross.
40a. Johann (Gutekunst); Fr. Gutekunst; M. Gutekunst; Lodi; 3 May (18)52;
40b. 15 May (18)52; J. Esch; and his wife; and wife of J. G. Zahn.
41a. Jacob Friedrich (Lambart); J. Lambart; M. Lambart; Freedom; 16 May (18)52;
41b. 20 May (18)52; Jakob Heist; and his wife.
42a. Ester (Kempf); Fr. Kempf; M. Kempf; Northfield; 11 Sep. (18)51;
42b. 23 May (18)52; Joh. G. Niethamer; and wife of J. Kapp.
43a. Georg Friedrich (Stein); Mich. Stein; and M. Stein; Scio; 11 May (18)52;
43b. 26 May (18)52; Ludwig Fritz; and his wife.
44a. Joh. Georg (Kärcher); Mich. Kärcher; Dor. Kärcher; Lima; 21 May (18)52;
44b. 29 May (18)52; J. Geo. Zahn; and wife of Jak. Paul.
45a. Anna Cathrina (Hutzel); Jak. Hutzel; and Frid. Hutzel; Lodi; 14 May (18)52;
45b. 29 May (18)52; Joh. Georg Stäbler; and wife of Geo. Laubengaier.
46a. Anna Maria (Derendinger); J. Derendinger; ---; Saline; 19 Aug. 1851;
46b. 30 May (18)52; Elisabeth Derendinger.
47a. Elisabeth (Grauer); Hein. Grauer; ---; Bridgewater; 25 Dec. 1849;
47b. 31 May (18)52; Hienrich Zahn; and his wife.
48a. Maria Cath. (Gross); Fr. Gross; Angnes Gross; Lima; 26 May (18)52;
48b. 5 Jun. (18)52; Michael Kärcher.
49a. Ana Elisabeth (Riemmenschneider); J. Riemmenschneider; M. Riemmenschneider; Sylvan;
7 Apr. (18)52;
49b. 6 Jun. (18)52; wife of Math. Schrah.
50a. Jacob (Riethmuller); Mich. Riethmuller; Mar. Riethmuller; Waterloo; 16 May (18)52;
50b. 6 Jun. (18)52; And. Schmid; and grandmother Riethmuller.
51a. Elisabeth (Seele); J. Seele; ---; Freedom; 18 May (18)52;
51b. 13 Jun. (18)52; J. Burkhardt; and wife of J. G. Schmid.
52a. Cath. Margaretha (Huber); J. Huber; ---; Freedom; 1 Jun. (18)52;
52b. 13 Jun. (18)52; Gottl. Laÿer; and his wife.
53a. Georg (April); Jak. April; and M. April; Scio; 1 Jun. (18)52;
53b. 13 Jun. (18)52; Jakob Paul; and his wife.
54a. Joh. Georg (Heimerdinger); Mich. Heimerdinger; M. Heimerdinger; Freedom; 9 Jun. (18)52;
54b. 19 Jun. (18)52; Phil. Markquart; and his wife; and wife of J. Huber.
55a. Cath. Regina (Huber); J. Huber; ---; Freedom; 22 Jun. (18)52;
55b. 4 Jul. (18)52; Mich. Heimerdinger; and wife of Carl Stollsteimer; and Cath. Gross, single.
56a. Joseph (Jedele); Jos. Jedele; Elis. Jedele; Lodi; 30 Jun. (18)52;
56b. 10 Jul. (18)52; Jakob Jedele; and his wife.
57a. Jacob Friedrich (Hohenberger); J. Hohenberger; M. Hohenberger; Freedom; 21 Jun. (18)52;
57b. 11 Jul. (18)52; ---.
58a. Jacob (Bäsler); Peter Bäsler; Rosina Bäsler; Scio; 26 Jun. (18)52;
58b. 11 Jul. (18)52; Jacob Brauning; and wife of Frid. Fritz.
59a. Carl Friedrich (Maÿer); Gottf. Maÿer; M. Maÿer; Waterloo; 13 Jul. (18)52;
59b. 14 Jul. (18)52; Carolina Hoffmann.

60a. Sophia (Schmid); Friedrich Schmid; Louise Schmid; Ann Arbor; 10 Jul. (18)52;
60b. 18 Jul. (18)52; Hein. Mann; and his wife; and widow Schmid, grandparents.
61a. Fr. Hermann (Ziegler); Fr. Ziegler; Chri. Ziegler; Ann Arbor; 14 Jul. (18)52;
61b. 25 Jul. (18)52; Joh. Braun; and his wife.
62a. Paulina (Bollinger); --- Bollinger; ---; Freedom; 24 Jun. (18)52;
62b. 3 Aug. (18)52; Phil. Vollner; and his wife.
63a. Mich. Carl (Alber); --- Alber; ---; Lodi; 31 Jul. (18)52;
63b. 11 Aug. (18)52; Mich. Alber; and Maria Stierle, single.
64a. Dorothea (Kärcher); J. G. Kärcher; ---; Lodi; 31 Jul. (18)52;
64b. 11 Aug. (18)52; J. Lutz; Dor. Kärcher; and wife of Joh. Schaible.
65a. Chr. Margaretha (Hënes); Mich. Hënes; Br. Hënes); Lodi; 8 Aug. (18)52;
65b. 14 Aug. (18)52; grandmother Kärcher.
66a. David (Stierle); Jak. Stierle; Reg. Steirle; Freedom; 19 Aug. (18)51;
66b. 15 Aug. (18)52; Jak. Laubengaier; and wife of Fr. Gross; and Da. Haas.
67a. Louise Heinriette (Schairer); Joh. G. Schairer; Chr. Schairer; Ann Arbor; 22 Jul. (18)52;
67b. 15 Aug. (18)52; Jakob Jedele; and widow Rühle, grandparents.
68a. Emanuel (Wildt); Em. Wildt; Chr. Wildt; Ann Arbor; 5 Aug. (18)52;
68b. 15 Aug. (18)52; Aug. Hutzel; and his wife; An. Kern; and his wife.
69a. Elis. Catherina (Wackenhut); --- Wackenhut; ---; Ann Arbor; 31 Jul. (18)52;
69b. 15 Aug. (18)52; Jakob Jedele, Jr.; and wife of J. Henne.
70a. Johanna Maria (Kister); W. Kister; Carl. Kister; Saline; 24 Jun. (18)52;
70b. 18 Aug. (18)52; the parents.
71a. Johannes (Itsch); --- Itsch; ---; Saline; 15 Jun. (18)52;
71b. 18 Aug. (18)52; the parents.
72a. Louise (Andreas); M. Andreas; Cath. Andreas; Scio; 11 Aug. 1852
72b. 21 Aug. 1852; Joh. Andreas; and Louise Schwarz, single.
73a. Elisa. (Domtesch); Gottl. Domtesch; Elisa. Domtesch; Ypsilanti; 9 Jul. 1851;
73b. 21 Aug. (18)52; the parents.
74a. Joh. Gerhardt (Hagen); J. Hagen; ---; Ann Arbor; 13 Aug. (18)52;
74b. 22 Aug. (18)52; Joh. Heinrich Feldkamp; and widow Feldkamp.
75a. Emanuel (Jedele); Jakob Jedele; Marth. Jedele; Scio; 22 Aug. (18)52;
75b. 28 Aug. (18)52; Jakob Röhm; and Maria Jedele, single.
76a. Soph. Carolina (Bus); Carl Bus; ---; Freedom; 2 Jun. (18)52;
76b. 29 Aug. (18)52; Willh. Bus; and his wife.
77a. Joh. Friedrich (Braun); Ja. Braun; Cath. Braun; Freedom; 31 Jan. 1841;
77b. 4 Sep. (18)52; Fried. Schneider; and his wife.
78a. Leriett (Braun); Ja. Braun; Cath. Braun; Freedom; 1 May 1843;
78b. 4 Sep. (18)52; Jacob Essig; and wife of Obermuller.
79a. Peter (Blumhardt); Jo. Geo. Blumhardt; ---; Freedom; 15 Aug. (18)52;
79b. 4 Sep. (18)52; Peter Bauer; and widow Pitzenmaier.
80a. Carl Otto (Lucart); Fr. Lucart; Cath. Lucart; Freedom; 23 Aug. (18)52;
80b. 4 Sep. (18)52; Jakob Strieter; and wife of Carl Müller; Chr. Borch.
81a. Mose (Frank); Wil. Frank; Cel. Frank; Scio; 26 Aug. (18)52;
81b. 5 Sep. (18)52; Mose Rickecker; and his wife; Peter Kern; and his wife.
82a. Daniel Jonathan (Kern); Rud. Kern; M. Kern; Scio; 10 Sep. (18)52;
82b. 19 Sep. (18)52; grandfather, Pet. Kern; and A. M. Schweizer, single.
83a. Joh. Georg (Stäbler); Jakob Stäbler; Friedr. Stäbler; Freedom; 10 Sep. (18)52;
83b. 20 Sep. (18)52; Ull. Reinmold; and wife of Carl Stollsteimer.
84a. Maria Barbara (Weimer); Mich. Weimer; Hl. Weimer; Ann Arbor; 20 Sep. (18)52;
84b. 25 Sep. (18)52; Gebhardt Gutekunst; and Barb. Gutekunst, single.

85a. Daniel (Klumpp); J. G. Klumpp; Margr. Gniesbach; Ann Arbor; 23 Sep. (18)52;
85b. 3 Oct. (18)52; Daniel Gniesbach; and his wife.
86a. Anna Maria (Luic); Heinrich Luic; M. Luic; Scio; 4 Oct. (18)52;
86b. 8 Oct. (18)52; Joh. Georg Laubengaier; and his wife.
87a. Elisabeth (Herter); J. Herter; ---; Freedom; 5 Sep. (18)52;
87b. 9 Oct. (18)52; Fr. Ziegler; and J. Marquart; and wife of Wagner.
88a. Jo. Jacob (Esch); J. Esch; ---; Ann Arbor; 30 Sep. (18)52;
88b. 10 Oct. (18)52; ---.
89a. Carolina (Kulenkamp); J. Kulenkamp; ---; Freedom; 23 Sep. (18)52;
89b. 23 Oct. (18)52; wife of J. Wolf; and wife of Moles.
90a. Emanuel (Laubengaier); J. G. Laubengaier; Ang. Laubengaier; Scio; 24 Oct. (18)52;
90b. 28 Oct. (18)52; Jakob Laubengaier; and wife of D. Haas.
91a. Joseph (Wagner); Jos. Wagner; Marg. Wagner; Lima; 15 Oct. (18)52;
91b. 31 Oct. (18)52; Joh. Wagner; and his wife.
92a. Maria Elisa. (Hauser); G. Fr. Hauser; Chr. Dor. Hauser; Ann Arbor; 26 Oct. (18)52;
92b. 31Oct. (18)52; G. Mich. Kirn; and Frid. Dor. Kirn, single.
93a. Gottfried (Vogel); Jacob Vogel; Chr. Vogel; Freedom; 24 Aug. (18)52;
93b. 3 Nov. (18)52; Jakob Bollinger; and his wife.
94a. Chr. Carolina (Wildt); Carl Wildt; Marg. Wildt; Lansing; 3 Sep. 1851;
94b. 7 Nov. (18)52; Chr. Miller; and his wife.
95a. Chr. Friedrich (Wackenhut); J. Wackenhut; ---; Lansing; 20 Jun. (18)52;
95b. 7 Nov. (18)52; Fr. Alton; and his wife.
96a. Joh. Adam (Koch); Ad. Koch; M. Koch; Ann Arbor; 26 Sep. (18)52;
96b. 10 Nov. (18)52; Schmid; and his wife, grandparents.
97a. Joh. Gottlieb (Zahn); J. G. Zahn; M. Zahn; Lodi; 7 Nov. (18)52;
97b. 13 Nov. (18)52; Gottlieb Laÿer; and wife of Fr. Stäbler.
98a. Phillipene (Armbrust); Joh. Armbrust; ---; Freedom; 27 Oct. (18)52;
98b. 13 Nov. (18)52; Pfellenberger; and his wife.
99a. Fried. Regina (Stäbler); Carl Stäbler; ---; Ann Arbor; 28 Oct. (18)52;
99b. 14 Nov. (18)52; Jakob Stäbler; and Roller, single.
100a. Ann Maria (Kärcher); Fr. Kärcher; Angnes Kärcher; Scio; 30 Oct. (18)52;
100b. 18 Nov. (18)52; Fr. Gross; and wife of Fr. Stäbler.
101a. Carl Fr. Hermann (Hist); Will. Hist; Dor. Hist; Plymouth; 1 Sep. (18)52;
101b. 21 Nov. (18)52; Fr. Schreder; and Christina Kuhn, single.
102a. Jacob (Bauer); Peter Bauer; M. Bauer; Bridgewater; 3 Nov. (18)52;
102b. 27 Nov. (18)52; Jacob Bauer; and Jakob Mehrle, and wife of Con. Hildinger.
103a. Jacob (Breitsch); Gottl. Breitsch; Cath. Breitsch; Freedom; 3 Nov. (18)52;
103b. 27 Nov. (18)52; Joh. Haab; and his wife.
104a. Maria Pauline (Hirt); J. M. Hirt; El. Hirt; Ann Arbor; 7 Nov. (18)52;
104b. 5 Dec. (18)52; Simon Hirt; and Maria Dreher, single.
105a. Carl (Schöffler); Christian Schöffler; M. Schmid; Scio; 2 Dec. (18)52;
105b. 7 Dec. (18)52; Carl Dietrich; and wife of G. Müller.
106a. Ferdinant (Nuser); Fer. Nuser; Philpine Nuser; Bridgwater; 26 Nov. (18)52;
106b. 11 Dec. (18)52; J. M. Bräuning; and wife of Georg Niesle.
107a. Michael (Brenner); Christian Brenner; M. Brenner; Scio; 13 Dec. (18)52;
107b. 31 Dec. (18)52; Michael Stein; wife of Joh. Schlee; and M. Mornhinweg, single.

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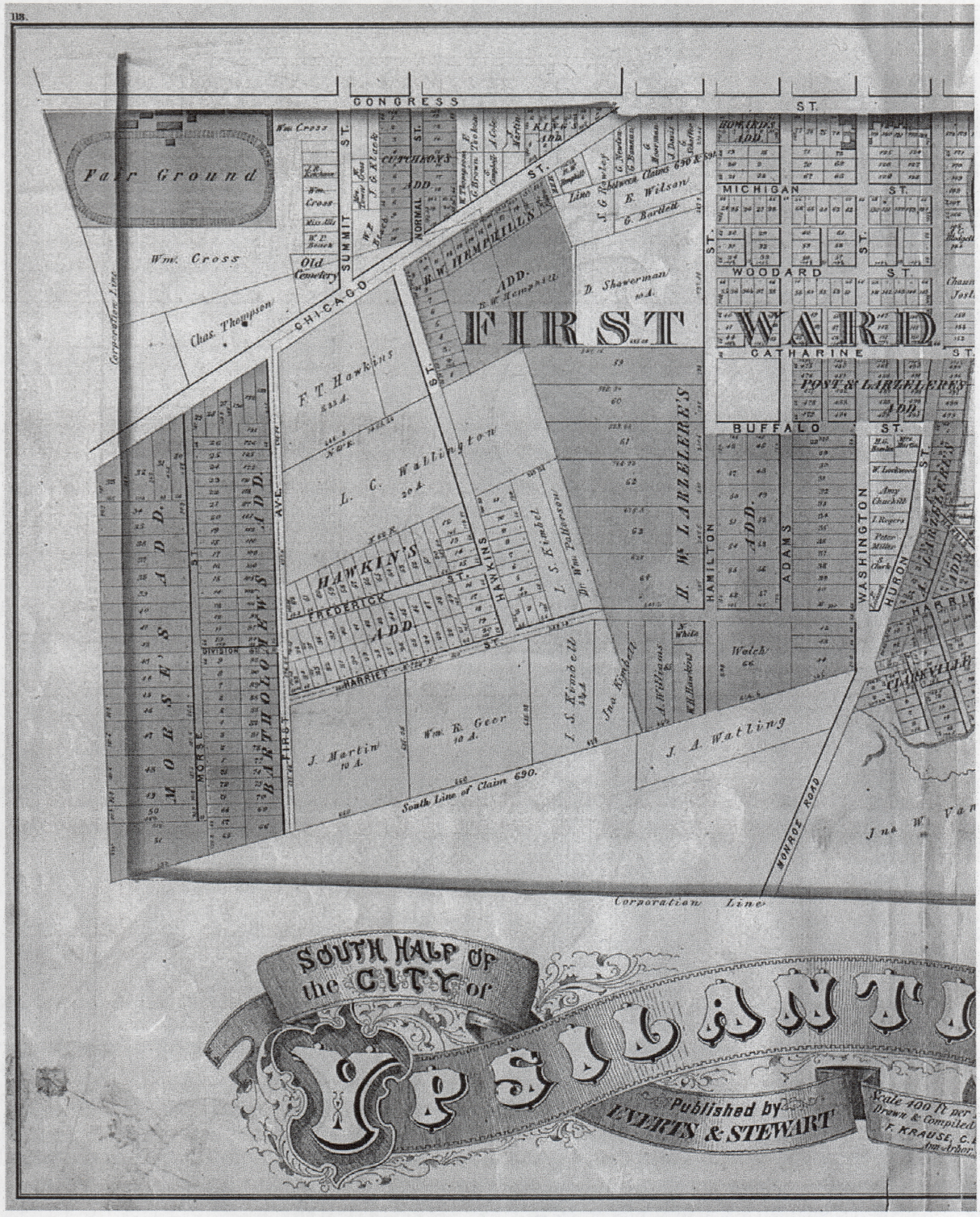

SOUTH HALF OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI
(Southwest Quadrant)
EVERTS & STEWART'S
COMBINATION ATLAS MAP OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1874

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[*Ed Note: The map coordinate in the index is based on the approximate quadrant location in the city with the east-west division being the ward boundary on the east side of the Huron River. Street name and quadrant are listed to help locate the property on the map but in some cases may not be the actual address since precise frontage is not apparent on the map.*]

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..Add/A. Larzelere	Huron St.	SW	BUSBY, J.	Congress St.	SE
..Add/Bartholomew	Chicago St.	SW	C..., F.	Grove St.	SE
..Add/Clarkville	Harriet St.	SE	CAMPBELL, S.	Chicago St.	SW
..Add/Clarkville	Monroe Rd.	SW	CHESHIRE, Mrs.	Belle St.	SE
..Add/Cutcheon	Congress St.	SW	CHIDISTER, J.	Race St.	SE
..Add/Davis	Congress St.	SE	CHURCHILL, Amy	Huron St.	SW
..Add/Follett	Follett St.	SE	CLARK, S.	Huron St.	SW
..Add/Gilbert's Park	Parsons St.	SE	CLARK, W.	Grove St.	SE
..Add/H. W. Larzelere	Hamilton St.	SW	COLE, A.	Congress St.	SW
..Add/Hawkins	Hawkins St.	SW	CONKLIN, I. N.	Parsons St.	SE
..Add/Howard	Congress St.	SW	CORNWELL	Race St.	SE
..Add/Hunter	Prospect St.	SE	CRABB, S.	Belle St.	SE
..Add/King	Congress St.	SW	CRANE, I.	Emerick St.	SE
..Add/Kopp	Stewart St.	SE	CROSBY	Towwn St.	SE
..Add/Morse	Chicago St.	SW	CROSS, Wm.	Congress St.	SW
..Add/Post & Larzelere	Catharine St.	SW	CROSS, Wm.	Summit St.	SW
..Add/R. W. Hemphill	Chicago St.	SW	DAVIS, J. W.	Davis St.	SE
..Bldg/Western Hall	Congress St.	SE	DAVIS, J.	Congress St.	SW
..Cemetery/Old	Chicago St.	SW	DAVIS, P., Dr.	Emerick St.	SE
..Factory/Foundry	Congress St.	SE	DAVIS, P., Dr.	Prospect St.	SE
..Factory/Parsons Bro. Sash Door & Blind Fact. & Lumber Yard	Parsons St.	SE	DAVIS, T.	Emerick St.	SE
			DAY, Mrs.	Congress St.	SE
..Fairground	Congress St.	SE	DEUBLE	Water St.	SE
..Mill/Cornwells Paper Mill	Stewart St.	SE	EATON, Mrs.	Chicago St.	SW
..Mill/Huron Mills	Water St.	SE	ECKRICH, M.	Emerick St.	SE
..Tannery/Crane	Congress St.	SE	ECKRICK, M.	Congress St.	SE
ALLEN, W.	Grove St.	SE	EMRICK, C. M.	Emerick St.	SE
ALLS, Miss	Summit St.	SW	FIELD, J.	Congress St.	SE
ANDREWS, T.	Prospect St.	SE	FLETCHER, Addison	Belle St.	SE
BANNAN, G.	Chicago St.	SW	FOWLER, J. S.	Towwn St.	SE
BARTLETT, G.	Hamilton St.	SW	FULLERTON, Mrs.	Race St.	SE
BEACH, W. P.	Summit St.	SW	GEER, Wm. R.	Harriet St.	SW
BENNETT, P.	Parsons St.	SE	GEOGHAM, J.	Grove St.	SE
BISHOP, H.	Congress St.	SE	GOODSMAN	Prospect St.	SE
BLODGETT, A. C.	Huron St.	SE	GOODWIN, C.	Water St.	SE
BOWMAN, Mrs.	Congress St.	SE	GREGG, M.	Prospect St.	SE
BRINKERHOFF, H. H.	Race St.	SE	GUNN, J.	Grove St.	SE
BROWN, G.	Chicago St.	SW	H..., B. H.	Chicago St.	SW

HAMLIN, H. G.	Washington St.	SW	NEWTON, G.	Chicago St.	SW
HANCOCK	Water St.	SE	OSTRANDER, S. H.	Harris St.	SE
HAWKINS, F. T.	Chicago St.	SW	PATTERSON, Wm., Dr.	Harriet St.	SW
HAWKINS, W. H.	Hamilton St.	SW	PHILLIPS, Wm.	Prospect St.	SE
HEMPHILL, R. W.	Chicago St.	SW	POTTS, R., Mrs.	Race St.	SE
HOSMER, Mrs.	Parsons St.	SE	RILEY, D.	Emerick St.	SE
INGRAHAM	Harris St.	SE	ROGERS, I.	Huron St.	SW
JACKSON, Mrs.	Emerick St.	SE	ROWLEY, S. G.	Chicago St.	SW
JONES	Prospect St.	SE	SCHAFFER, G.	Congress St.	SW
JOSLIN & BLODGETT	Harriett St.	SE	SEYMOUR, A.	Prospect St.	SE
JOSLIN, Chauncey	Huron St.	SE	SHIPMAN, R.	Belle St.	SE
KETCHUM, J. R.	Summit St.	SW	SHOWERMAN, D.	Hamilton St.	SW
KIMBELL, I. S.	Harriet St.	SW	SLAWSON, Mrs.	Prospect St.	SE
KIMBELL, Jno.	Harriet St.	SW	STEWARD, N.	Towwn St.	SE
KING, W.	Harris St.	SE	THOMPSON, Chas.	Chicago St.	SW
KINNEY, H.	Prospect St.	SE	THOMPSON, W.	Chicago St.	SW
KLACK, J. G.	Congress St.	SW	TOOKEN, F.	Congress St.	SW
LARZELERE, H. W., Mrs.	Race St.	SE	TOWN, Mrs.	Summit St.	SW
LEACH, A., Mrs.	Congress St.	SE	TYLER, P.	Harriet St.	SE
LEONARD, P.	Huron St.	SW	TYLOR, P.	Harriet St.	SE
LOCKWOOD, W.	Huron St.	SW	VAN CLEVE, Jno. W.	Huron River	SE
LUCKINGS, J.	Congress St.	SE	VAN CLEVE, Jno. W.	Monroe Rd.	SW
LUCKINGS, J.	Parsons St.	SE	WALCH	Hamilton St.	SW
M..., Wm.	Congress St.	SE	WALLACE, J. N.	Grove St.	SE
MARTIN, J.	Congress St.	SW	WALLINGTON, L. C.	Hawkins St.	SW
MARTIN, J.	Harriet St.	SW	WATLING, J. A.	Monroe Rd.	SW
MARTIN, Mrs.	Huron St.	SW	WHITE, N.	Harriet St.	SW
MCANDREW, H.	Grove St.	SE	WHITMAN, E. J., Mrs.	Race St.	SE
MCANDREWS, Wm.	Race St.	SE	WILLIAMS, A.	Harriet St.	SW
MCCULLUM, Wm.	Congress St.	SE	WILSON, E.	Hamilton St.	SW
MILLARD, Wm.	Prospect St.	SE	WOODWARD, Mrs.	Race St.	SE
MILLER, Peter	Huron St.	SW	WORDEN, A.	Congress St.	SE
MOORMAN, G.	Congress St.	SW	WORDEN, J.	Congress St.	SE
MURPHY, P.	Grove St.	SE			

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IN MEMORIAM

LILLIAN (STITT) DEHART

9 SEPTEMBER 1922–28 SEPTEMBER 2015

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IN MEMORIAM

RICHARD LEVENICK

28 JANUARY 1922–11 NOVEMBER 2015

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ANCESTOR SURNAME INDEX

Submitted by Kathy Garbacik

The Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County gladly accepts five generation ancestor charts of its members. These ancestor charts are valuable research tools and may be found filed in the GSWC Library which is housed within the Family History Center at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 525 E. Woodland Drive, Saline, Michigan. If you are unable to visit the GSWC Library and wish to find out more about a surname of interest or need a contact address, please send your request and a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to Kathy Garbacik, 10881 Woodbrook, Cement City, Michigan 49233-9635 or you may e-mail her at garbacikk@hotmail.com. GSWC members can access fellow member contact information on the GSWC website. Once you have signed in, "Membership" appears as a submenu under the "Member" tab. GSWC website URL: http://www.washtenawgenealogy.org.

The following is an index of the surnames contained in recent ancestor chart submissions. The number at left is the GSWC membership number followed by member name, ancestor surnames and ancestor locations.

577 BROUGH, DAVID: Appleman, Brough, Cormal, Cottrell, Cribbs, Fountain, Hall, McAusland, Meachum, Minges, Plantier, Quigley, Ruth, Vinson. IN, PA, SCO. *

886 TRIPP, JAN ELWIN: Chatterson, Duke, Fulford, Greek, Kreigh, MacLeod, McElwain, Morrison, Owen, Patrick, Playfair, Smith, Squires, Tripp, Trucks, Willsie, Wiltsee. CAN, ENG, IRE, MI, NY, OH, PA, SCO.

* Citing previous surname list for "Brough" in "*Family History Capers*, vol. 20, no. 1, p. 14.

THE CYRUS MEAD FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

A copy of the Cyrus Mead family Bible record was donated and permission to publish granted to the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County Bible Records Registry by the Ypsilanti Historical Society Museum. The record was copied by Doris Milliman, Ypsilanti Chapter of the DAR.

The Holy Bible containing the Old and New Testaments; translated out of the original tongues, and with the former translations diligently compared and revised with Canne's Marginal Notes and References together with the Apocrypha to which are added An Index; and an alphabetical table of all the names in the old and new testaments, with their significations, also, Tables of scripture weights, measures, and coins. Syracuse: Hall, Mills & Co., 1853.

Marriages:
In Milo on the 16 of Feb. 1853 by the Rev. James Eels. Mr. Cyrus Mead, to Miss Ellen daughter of Jonathan Baley. All of the former places.

Births:
Cyrus Mead was born in Lewisber, Westchester Co., N.Y.
Ellen Baley was born in Milo, Yates Co. N.Y.
Eleanor B. Mead adopted daughter of Cyrus & Eleanor B. Mead, was born in Livingstone County, Michigan, October 29, 1876

Deaths:
Cyrus Mead died at Ypsilanti, Washtenaw Co., Mich. on 20 the day of May, 1896

GSWC Bible Records Registry

WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, CIRCUIT COURT PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATION, November 1916–3 March 1917 (Part Two)

Abstracted by Marty Carr and Tim Salatin

(*Continued from Vol. 39, No. 1, p. 17–20*)

This set of Washtenaw Circuit Court petitions for naturalization or 'second papers' begins with Volume III, record number 400 and may be viewed on microfilm at the State Archives of Michigan, Lansing, Michigan. We are grateful to the Archives for granting permission for them to be published here. The records detail name, occupation, birth date and place, where emigrated from, port of arrival, the name of the vessel, declaration date, marital status, wife's name, her birth place, children's names, dates and places of birth and residence, petitioner's dates of residence in United States and in Michigan, and signature of petitioner. In addition, the records list witness information as follows: name, residence, known petitioner since date, resident of Michigan since date. Certificate numbers are written on most of the records. A copy of the petitioner's Declaration of Intention is sometimes attached to the petition. The names of the clerks and judges were not abstracted. Person, as well as birth, emigration, and arrival place names are spelled as entered on the petition.

The following abbreviations are used: *Adm.*= admitted to citizenship, *Arr.* = arrival, *b.* = born, *bp.* = birthplace, *CC.* = Circuit Court, *cert.* = certificate, *ch.* = children, *Decl. of Int.* = Declaration of Intention, *Em.* = emigrated, *Ht.* = height, *occ.* = occupation, *Pet.* = petition, *Ren.* = renounced, *Res.* = resides, *Wits.* = Witnesses, [*] = born less than 100 years ago.

Note: Abstracts of naturalization petitions filed between 1911 and 1916 were published in a 14-part series beginning in *Capers*, Vol. 22, No. 3 (Winter 1999) and running through *Capers*, Vol. 25, No. 4 (Spring 2002).

417. CHRISTOPH LUDWIG SCHNEIDER, 815 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor; occ. Plumber; b. 4 Sep 1867, Echterdingen, Germany; Em. 4 May 1881 from Bremen; Arr. 18 May 1881 in New York on "do not recollect"; Decl. of Int. filed 1 Mar 1910 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: white, fair complexion, 5' 8 ½", dark brown hair, blue eyes, no visible distinctive marks]; wife Mary Victoria Covert[?] b. 5 Apr 1873, Ann Arbor; five ch.: Marie Izette Kuebler b. 11 Dec 1891, Ann Arbor, Res. Toledo, OH, Mary Irene b. 27 May 1893, Theresa Estella b. 17 Jun 1895, Christoph Ludwig b. 20 Aug 1898, Albert Theodor b. 11 Nov 1902, the last four b. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 18 May 1881, in MI since 21 May 1881; Wits.: F. C. Parker, attorney, and Eugene J. Helber, publisher, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Mar 1894. Pet. 17 Feb 1917. Adm. 2 Jun 1920. Cert. #1074,358.

418. AUGUST CHARLES TESSMER, 421 W. Madison St., Ann Arbor; occ. Bricklayer; b. 2 Aug 1864, Johannesthal, Germany; Em. 21 Jul 1870 from Windsor, Ontario; Arr. 21 Jul 1870 Detroit, MI on car ferry; Decl. of Int. filed 3 Jun 1910 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; white, fair complexion, 5' 9", gray hair, blue eyes, small scar on end nose; wife Fredericka Catherine Sophia Massman b. 9 Sep 1864, Ridgewood, Sanilac Co., MI; two ch.: Clyde b. 31 May 1887, Grace May Marquardt b. 21 May 1893, both b. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 21 Jul 1870, in MI since 21 July 1870. Wits.: Andrew Reule, clothing dealer, and Leo Gruner, county treasurer, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Feb 1907. Pet. 17 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Dec 1918. Cert. #1074,239.

419. HENRY PAUL ROSENTRETER, Webster Twp., Dexter RR2; occ. Farming; b. 14 May 1886 Rosgassen, Germany; Em. 19 Mar 1888 from Bremen; Arr. 17 Apr 1888 in New York on *America*; Decl.

of Int. omitted under the terms of the Act of June 25, 1910; not married; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 17 Apr 1888, in MI since 21 Apr 1888; Wits.: William Goetz, grocer, and Fred Brown, saloonkeeper, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Apr 1900. Pet. 19 Feb 1917. Petition denied 1 Oct 1919, "there was not any misinformation". [*Attached affidavit states* "When I became of age I thought I was an American citizen. Henry Conley asked me to vote and as I thought I was an American citizen I did. I thought I was all right until I talked with Gustave Leuneberg of Webster Twp. yesterday."]

420. GUSTAV KARL ROSENTRETER, Webster Twp., Dexter, P.6 RFD2; occ. Farming; b. 2 Mar 1860, Rosgassen, Germany; Em. 19 Mar 1888 from Bremen; Arr. 17 Apr 1888 in New York on *America.* Decl. of Int. omitted under the terms of Act of June 25, 1910; wife Augusta Emilia Donner b. 4 Sep 1866, Rosgassen, Germany; eleven ch.: Henry Paul b. 14 May 1868 [sic], Rogasen [*sic*], Germany, Res. Dexter Twp., Hilda Matilda Bauer b. 17 Oct 1889, Webster Twp., Res. Dexter Twp., Emma Matilda [*nee Rosentreter*] Wenger b. 25 Feb 1892. Webster Twp., Res. Ann Arbor, Julius Karl b. 16 Aug 1893, b. and Res. Webster Twp., Minnie Bertha [*nee Rosentreter*] Wenger b. 2 May 1897, Webster Twp., Res. Ann Arbor, Otto Gustave b. 21 Sep 1898, b. and Res. Webster Twp., Herman Emil b. 21Jun 1900, b. and Res. Webster Twp., John William b. 29 Nov 1902, b. and Res. Webster Twp., Anna Frieda b. 21 Oct 1903, b. and Res. Webster Twp., William Karl b. 22 Jun 1906, b. and Res. Webster Twp., Albert Frederick b. 26 Aug 1908, b. and Res. Webster Twp.; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 17 Apr 1888, in MI since 21 Apr 1888; Wits.: William Goetz, grocer, and Fred Brown, saloonkeeper, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Apr 1900. Pet. 19 Feb 1917. Petition denied 1 Oct 1919 "there was not any misinformation". [*Attached affidavit states* "James Burke of Whitmore Lake said any one over 5 years in the United States had a right to vote and I thought as I was here 12 years I was an American citizen. I heard many say if one was 10 years in this country he would be an American citizen. I saw Gustave Lueneberg Sunday 18th Feby and he said he had talked with Ex Pros. Atty George Burke who said under similar circumstances he was no citizen so I came to town today. I have voted for the last 10 or 14 years."]

421. TOM JOSEPH ANKNER also known as DOMOUSKAS ANKNER, 620 Church St., Ann Arbor; occ. Barber; b. 20 Oct 1889, Katalinfalva, Hungary; Em. 22 Jun 1907 from Fiume, Hungary; Arr. 12 Jul 1907 in New York on *Slavonia*; Decl. of Int. filed 10 Mar 1910 at CC. Wayne, Co., Detroit; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: address in Detroit: 676 Dix Ave., last foreign Res. Antalfalve, Hungary, white, dark complexion, 6' 0", 165 lbs., black hair, brown eyes]; wife Agnes Brandt b. 26 Oct 1895, Marquette, MI; no ch.; Ren. Charles, Emperor of Austria and Apostolic King of Hungary; Res. continuously in US since 12 July 1907, in MI since 15 Apr 1908; made petition for citizenship to the CC. of Wayne County at Detroit on the 7th day of May 1913, Pet. dismissed 29 day of January 1914 because petitioner did not appear; Wits.: John P. Trojanowski, barber, and Matthias Wallet, tailor, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Oct 1910. Pet. 20 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Feb 1919. Name officially changed. Cert. #1074,269.

422. OTTO PETER STEEGER, 210 Park St., Chelsea; occ. Aeronautical Engineer; b. 19 Jul 1888, Weingarten, Germany; Em. 29 Jun 1909 from Bremen, Germany; Arr. 6 Jul 1909 in New York on *Kronprinzesin Cecilia*; Decl. of Int. filed 9 Aug 1912 at Dist. Court of Frontier Co., Stockbridge, NE; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: occ. Aviator; bp. Durlach, Germany; Res. Curtis, NE; white, dark complexion, 5' 6", 142 lbs., black hair, brown eyes]; made petition for citizenship in the CC. of Cook Co., Chicago, IL in Apr 1915, petition not heard because left Chicago and could not appear; not married; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 6 Jul 1909, in MI since 2 Jun 1915; Wits.: Jacob Alber, produce, and Lydia McClain, housewife, both of Chelsea; known since 2 Jun 1915. Pet. 21 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Feb 1919. Cert. #1074,265.

423. PAUL GOTTLIEB TESSMER, 220 Chubb Rd., Ann Arbor; occ. Retired; b. 10 Dec 1866, Johannesthahl, Germany; Em. 21 Jul 1870 from Windsor, Ontario; Arr. 21 July 1870 in Detroit on car

ferry. Decl. of Int. filed 31 May 1910 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [From attached Decl. of Int.: occ. boat livery, white, ruddy complexion, 5' 7", 158 lbs., gray hair, blue eyes, half of thumb of left hand missing]; wife Fredericke Katharine Weinberg[?] b. 20 Nov 1867, Freedom, Twp., Washtenaw Co.; no ch.; Ren. William II, German Emperor; Res. continuously in US since 21 July 1870, in MI since 21 July 1870; Wits.: Fred C. Weinberg, contractor, and C. L. Pray, deputy sheriff, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Jan 1897. Pet. 26 Feb 1917. Adm. 26 Feb 1919. Cert. #1074,267.

424. JOSEPH RICHARD CROMWELL, 1005 S. 4th Ave., Ann Arbor; occ. cistern and furnace cleaner; b. 27 Sep 1874 Raleigh Twp., Kent Co., Ont.; Em. 10 Mar 1896 from Windsor, Ontario; Arr. 10 Mar 1896 in Detroit on car ferry; Decl. of Int. filed 2 Dec 1910 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: occ. porter, last foreign Res. Fletcher, Ont., mulatto, brown complexion, 5' 6", 178 lbs., black hair, brown eyes]; wife Lillian Pope b. 4 Nov 1874, Colchester, Ont.; no ch.; Ren. George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland; Res. continuously in US since 10 Mar 1896, in MI since 10 Mar 1896; Wits.: Frank C. Cole, atty., and Chris Donnelly, clothing merchant, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Nov 1911. Pet. 26 Feb 1917. Adm. 6 Jun 1917. Cert. #731,620.

425. ERNEST JAEGER, Saline Twp. P.6 Saline RR1; occ. Farming; b. 17 Oct 1881, Uttershausen, Hessen Nassau, Germany; Em. 9 Nov 1892 from Bremen; Arr. 23 Nov 1892 in New York on *Saale*; Decl. of Int. filed 13 Aug 1914 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*; white, dark complexion, 5' 10", 200 lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, left index finger off at second joint, right foot webbed]; wife Delia Wolf b. 4 Mar 1891, Saline Twp., died last spring; three ch.: Walter b. 10 Sep 1913, Laura b. 19 Apr 1915, Willard b. 26 Mar 1916, all b. and Res. Saline Twp.; Ren. William II Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 23 Nov 1892, in MI since 29 Nov 1892; Wits.: George Finkbeiner, farming, Saline, and Adam G. Schroen, merchant, Ann Arbor; known since 1 Sep 1892. [*From attached Oath of Allegiance*: "Petitioner married to Mrs. Mary Armbruster nee Gregg[?] April 18, 1917, age 35 at time of marriage."] Pet. 26 Feb 1917. Adm. 1 Oct 1919. Cert. #1074,325.

426. JOHN GEORGE WEBER, Lodi P.6, Saline RR2; occ. Farming; b. 14 Nov 1861, Kirchentellenfurth, Germany; Em. 1 Jun 1865 from Hamburg; Arr. 19 Jun 1865 in New York on "don't recollect"; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; white, fair complexion, [*Ht. illegible*], gray hair, blue eyes; wife Lydia Renz b. 14 Jul 1866, Lodi Twp., Washtenaw Co.; five ch.: Minnie Elizabeth [*nee Weber*] Hertler b. 13 Jan 1884, Res. Ann Arbor, Martha Maria b. 12 Apr 1885, Res. Lodi Twp., Oscar George b. 19 May 1891, Res. Lodi Twp., Lily Pauline [*nee Weber*] Feldkamp b. 17 Sep 1894, Res. Saline Twp., Lawrence Paul b. 25 Aug 1899, Res. Lodi Twp., all b. Lodi Twp; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 19 Jun 1865, in MI since 21 Jun 1865; Wits.: Geo. E. Anfel, clothing merchant, and J. Fred Staebler, grocer, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Jul 1895. Pet. 27 Feb 1917. Adm. 1 Oct 1919. Cert. #1074,328. [*Attached affidavit amended on 1 Oct 1919 states*: "Father told me that I was citizen and I always believed same to be true."]

427. GOTTLIEB BAHNMILLER, 522 Felch St., Ann Arbor; occ. Carpenter; b. 13 May 1879, Kirchentellenfurth, Germany; Em. 15 Apr 1880 from Hamburg, Germany; Arr. 21 Apr 1880 in New York on "don't recollect"; Decl. of Int. filed 9 Feb 1915 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: bp. Wurtenberg [*sic*], Germany; Em. from Bremen; white, fair complexion, 5' 8", 160 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes; wife Louisa K. A[*illegible*] b. 27 Jan 1883, Ann Arbor; one ch.: Della May b. 17 May 1916, b. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 21 Apr 1880, in MI since 23 Apr 1880; Wits.: Robert A. Kraft, carpenter, Ann Arbor, and Arthur Schmitt, farming, Lodi Twp.; known since 15 Aug 1911. Pet. 1 Mar 1917. Adm. 26 Feb 1919. Cert. #1074,271.

428. JOHN FREDERICK STEINKE, 516 Spring St., Ann Arbor; occ. Painter; b. 21 Aug 1873, Vaunsburg, Germany; Em. 25 Feb 1892 from Bremen; Arr. 8 Mar 1892 in Baltimore on *Weimer*; Decl. of Int. omitted under terms of the Act of 25 Jun 1910; white, medium complexion, 5' 7", brown eyes, dark hair, scar on nose; wife Mary b. 1 May 1886, Bro[?]berg, Germany; three ch.: Senta Eliza b. 14 Sep 1905,

Rhea Helen b. 10 May 1908, John William b. 10 Dec 1913, all b. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 8 Mar 1892, in MI since 11 Mar 1892; Wits.: Fred Brown, saloonkeeper, and W. A. Zemke, barber, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Mar 1902. Pet. 2 Mar 1917. Adm. 24 Dec 1918. Cert. #1074253. [*Attached affidavit states* "My father said he had his papers, so I believed he was a citizen and I had a right to vote. I read the local newspapers which advised everyone to examine and be sure that he was a citizen. After Father's death I looked for his papers and could not find them. I have voted at various elections."]

429. ERNEST SCHUMANN, 217 N. Main St., Ann Arbor; occ. Baker; b. 16 Jan 1878, Diedenhofen, Germany; Em. 5 Aug 1909 from Windsor, Canada; Arr. 5 Aug 1909 in Detroit on car ferry; Decl. of Int. filed 4 Aug 1909 at CC. of Wayne Co.; [*From attached Decl. of Int.*: address 141 Catherine St., Detroit, MI, Em. from Liverpool via Quebec on *Dominion*, last foreign Res.. Berlin, Ont., white, fair complexion, 5' 8 ½", 178 lbs., black hair, brown eyes, scar on bridge of nose]; [*attached Cert. of Arrival states port of arrival Montreal, Canada*]; Decl. of Int. filed 13 Aug 1910 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; wife Ella b. 24 Jan 1886, Detroit; two ch.: Eugene Ernest b. 21 Jun 1912, Howard George b. 16 Feb 1916, both b. and Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 5 Aug 1909, in MI since 5 Aug 1909; Wits.: J. Herman Goetz, bookkeeper, and Fred McMahon, baker, both of Ann Arbor; known since 1 Apr 1910. Pet. 3 Mar 1917. Adm. 1 Oct 1919. Cert. #1074326.

430. JOSEPH WTADISLAW SLIWINSKI, 948 Greenwood Ave., Ann Arbor; occ. Tailor, b. 5 Mar 1871, Haerkowko[*?*], Germany; Em. 4 May 1894 from Antwerp; Arr. 15 May 1894 New York; Decl. of Int. filed 10 May 1911 at CC. of Washtenaw Co.; [*From Decl. of Int.*: last name typed Shiwinsky and signed Sliwinsky, last foreign residence Znin, Germany; white, fair complexion, 5' 4", 114 lbs., brown hair, blue eyes]; [*in response to the question if able to speak the English language*] "I am unable to speak the English language being deaf and dumb"; wife Freda Goetz b. "don't know" Sep 1864, Goettelfingen, Germany; one ch.: Gertrude May b. 5 Dec 1900, Ann Arbor, Res. Ann Arbor; Ren. William II, Emperor of Germany; Res. continuously in US since 1 May 1894, in MI since 17 May 1894; Wits.: Enoch Dieterle, undertaker, and William Goetz, grocer, etc., both of Ann Arbor; known since 15 Mar 1902. Pet. 3 Mar 1917. Pet. denied 24 Dec. 1918 "since petitioner was deceased".

(*Conclusion*)

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DEATH OF JEROME TATE, SALINE, MICHIGAN, 1909

Another Old Settler has Gone.

One by one the early settlers of our village and vicinity are called to their home beyond.

Jerome Tate, who died at his home on Henry street early Tuesday morning, was born in Lodi township, February 25, 1838, and had always lived near here, spending most of his life on a farm just east of Saline village and was one of a family of four children.

On February 25, 1862 he was married to Miss Jane Collins and to this union was born one daughter now Mrs. Marvin Warner. A few years since Mr. Tate and family left the farm and purchased a home in town where they have since lived, and Jerome kept up his active duties until failing health and blindness compelled him to give up all. For the past few weeks he suffered intense pain until death came. He is survived by a loving companion, one daughter and two sisters. The funeral was held at the home this afternoon, interment at Oakwood.

The Saline Observer, Dec. 23, 1909. p. 5. col. 3.

News-Pages of the GSWC

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GSWC Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. at the Education Center Auditorium, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Campus, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti, Michigan, usually the fourth Sunday of the month, September to May.

Upcoming Meetings Winter 2016:
Sunday, January 24, 2016: "Lexington and Concord Battle Road: Birthplace of the American Revolution" by Judy Williston. **Class: "Military Research"** with John Philip Colletta via DVD. Carolyn Griffin will be giving additional tips, and leading the discussion.

Sunday, February 28, 2016: "Finding Your American Ancestor Using Canadian Records" by Katherine Lake Hogan—which will be in webinar format. Watch for a Blast Email for information on remote access for this speech. **Class: "Using Library Websites for Genealogy"** by Barbara Snow.

Sunday, March 20, 2016 (note date adjustment!): "Photo Genealogy: Identifying (Dating) Old Photographs" by Bill and Glenna Jo Christen. **Class:** Assistance to identify the time period of YOUR old photos.

Report on Recent Meetings: (Speeches reported by Janet Gilkey, classes written up by Marcia McCrary)

27 September 2015: "Using Topographic Maps to Locate Your Ancestors" by Morris O. Thomas.
Mr. Thomas focused on two main areas: features of a topographic map and how the genealogist can use these maps to learn more about ancestors' locations.

Topographic maps show physical features, elevations and cultural features. Contour lines display the elevations on the earth's surface. Other physical features are woods, and water bodies. Cultural features consist of buildings, trees, roads, and cemeteries.

The two main types of USGS topographical maps:
15 minute quadrangle series which show a larger area but less detail and are older maps (before 1950s); and
7.5 minute quadrangle series which show a smaller area but more detail and are newer maps (after1950s).
Other types of maps are aerial maps and soil surveys.

Mr. Thomas gave a list of places where maps can be found: Google Maps, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and the Map Collection at the University of Michigan Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library. Mr. Thomas can be contacted at: thomas72@msu.edu.

Class: Katherine Willson presented **"Little-Known and Rarely Used Google Resources and Search Tips".** She recommended using https://www.google.com/advanced_search with the who-when-where approach in as many variations of the person's name that you can envision. Word order is important! Try quote marks, minus signs, asterisk as a wildcard, and tilde (~) to include synonyms of the search word. Other things available are: Google Translate, Google Books, Google Scholar, Google Alerts, Google Photos, and of course, Google Maps.

Katherine's handout is available on our website under "Public Downloads", then "Program and Class Handouts". (Morris Thomas' handout is also there)

25 October 2015: **"Michigan Roots: Genealogy Research in the Great Lake State"** presented by State Archivist, Kris Rzepczynski. Mr. Rzepczynski gave a brief overview of Michigan resources. These include state and local history, census records and indexes, vital records, and naturalizations.

He presented a chronology of events that led to the settlement of Michigan, some of which are: the Erie Canal opening in 1825, Michigan becoming a state in 1837, the rise of the logging industry after the Civil War, and how the automobile industry influenced migration.

Mr. Rzepczynski shared what is new at the Archives of Michigan and http://seekingmichigan.org/. His email address is: kris.rzepczynski@gmail.com.

Class: "New York Research" by a panel of GSWC members:

Sharon Brevoort talked about resources for the State of New York. A new item she mentioned is the *New York Family History Research Guide and Gazetteer* (there is a copy at the GSWC/LDS Library in Saline).

There are 1600 plus county or town historians in New York. Be sure to phrase requests to them from a

historical viewpoint, not genealogical. They are charged with preserving and sharing history, you can ask about a person, at a certain time, in a certain place, just don't use the term "genealogy".

Start with a research plan, gather facts, and find maps. Be aware that NY records could be created by county, cities, towns and other entities.

Research in New Netherland
Sharon's immigrant ancestor is Hendrik Janszen Van Brevoort. Some sources she mentioned are: http://nycnuts.net/, the New York State Archives in Albany and the New Netherland Research Center. Look for the FamilySearch Wiki about research in New Netherland.

Dolores Kingston showed us how she found out more on her ancestor, Daniel Henn. Some of the resources Dolores used: the family Bible (in her possession), US Census, NY Census, NY City Directory, cemeteries, and various websites including Castle Garden and Ellis Island. She suggested looking at BOTH Ancestry and FamilySearch for censuses, as one may have something the other doesn't. At the New York City Municipal Archives, a word of warning: you do all the work of finding the microfilm with the record you need, fill out a form, and pay $11 for a photocopy. Always remember to ask about fees: at one cemetery she had to make a $25 donation for them to look for records.

Barbara Giezentaner: Buffalo Research
Barbara recommended a Facebook website: "New York State Genealogy", plus Western New York Genealogical Society website: http://www.wnygs.org/ and http://www.buffaloresearch.com/. The following websites have more information: www.dennisahogan.com/lectures-and-handouts and www.nyshistoricnewspapers.org/newspapers

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library and Buffalo New York Family History Center (Amherst) are good sources for local information and newspapers.

22 November 2015: "Do's and Don'ts of Cemetery Research" was presented by Gail Herschenzon, who volunteers at the Woodmere Cemetery.

Information at the cemetery includes age at death, last residence, date of death and burial, section and lot number, and a drawing of the plot where the person is buried.

Some tips on the proper way to obtain information from cemeteries: read their policies, write or call a cemetery **before** visiting. Writing is the best way to get information—either through email or letter. She suggested: write a letter that is legible; typed if possible; keep the letter short; don't give unnecessary information; give correct spelling of name(s), birth and death dates; proofread your letter or email; give your name and address in the letter/email; include a self-addressed stamped envelope; volunteer to pay for services; better yet, include a check; always say thank you. Ms. Herschenzon can be reached through www.woodmerecemeteryresearch.com

Class: "Ethics and Etiquette in Genealogy Research" Think carefully before copying information from websites. Be sure to ask permission, and give credit. Patience, please and thank you go a long way when making requests.

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GSWC Clip Party at Connie Olson's on March 6, 2016 at 1 p.m. More information to follow.

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Other Genealogical Items:
From Sheila Most comes information about what the census takers were told:
http://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/2015/11/23/read-the-directions/
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Beginning January 9, 2016, the Library of Michigan in Lansing is expanding its hours and services to better serve Michigan citizens and state government. The main library will be open every Saturday (excluding certain state holidays) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Note the addition of versatile digital microfilm scanners, new public computers with added features, and a centralized printing system.

For more information about these new services and a complete listing of the library's open hours for 2016, visit www.michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan, email librarian@michigan.gov or call 517-373-1300.

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